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SUBJ: KUWAIT WILL ATTEND ICAO ALL WEATHER OPERATIONS DIVISIONAL (AWOD) MEETING IN MONTREAL

- 1. EXTENSIVE EFFORTS TO BRIEF ON TRSB/MLS AND PROMOTE GOK ATTENDANCE AT MONTREAL AWOD MEETING HAVE PAID OFF. RULING FAMILY MEMBER SHAIKH JABER AL-ATHBI AL-SABAH, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA), WILL LEAD THREE MEMBER KUWAITI DELEGATION TO AWOD MEETING. OTHER MEMBERS OF GROUP ARE EGYPTIAN ADVISOR, AND SUPERINTENDENT OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL AND RADAR ISA ABDULLA KAMSHAD. A KUWAITI.
- 2. QUERIED ABOUT GOK POSITION ON TRSB/ MLS, LONG-TIME ADVISOR TO DGCA SAID THERE WAS NO QUESTION BUT THAT KUWAIT WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"LEANING TOWARD" U.S. SYSTEM. HE INDICATED IT WAS LIKELY THAT KUWAIT WOULD VOTE FOR U.S. SYSTEM AT AWOD MEETING.

3. SHAIKH JABER AL-ATHBI HAS OBTAINED VISA FOR TRAVEL TO U.S. HE MAY DO SO AFTER END OF AWOD MEETING. HE IS LIKELY TO ARRIVE IN MONTREAL ABOUT APRIL 6 AND STAY FOR TWO WEEKS. SHAIKH JABER IS FRIENDLY AND WELL-DISPOSED TOWARD

U.S. HE AND HIS DELEGATION COULD PROVE USEFUL TO US IN INFLUENCING OTHER ARAB PARTICIPANTS AT MONTREAL MEETING. WE ASSUME THAT AT LEAST ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE 5 MAN TRSB/MLS TEAM WHICH VISITED KUWAIT WILL BE AT MONTREAL MEETING AND WILL CONTACT KUWAITI DELEGATION. MAESTRONE

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